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Staff Appointments.

Headquarters, Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts,

Faneuil Hall, Boston, June 8, 1903.

General Orders No. 1.

I. Command of the Company is hereby assumed.

II. The following appointments are hereby made, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly:—

Chief of Staff, Col. Alexander M. Ferris.

Surgeon, E. Dwight Hill, M.D.

Judge Advocate, George A. Perkins.

Assistant Surgeons, Frank M. Johnson, M.D.,
Walter D. Shurtleff, M.D., Frederick L.
Abbott, M.D., Frank A. Davidson, M.D.

Sergeant-Major, Major George F. Quinby.

Quartermaster Sergeant, Lieut. Edward Sullivan.

Commissary Sergeant, Sergt. Henry F. Wade.

Paymaster Sergeant, Arthur T. Lovell.

Hospital Steward, Sergt. Fred H. Putnam.

National Color Sergeant, Boardman J. Parker.

State Color Sergeant, Augustus Andrews.

Flankers to the Commander, Capt. E. W. Abbott, Major Perlie A. Dyar.

Band Guide, Sergt. George L. Look.

Orderly to the Commander, Perley B. Thompson.

By command of

CAPTAIN HEDGES.

CHARLES K. DARLING, *Adjt.*

Changes in Personnel.

Admitted to Membership.—Alonzo G. Durgin, Winchendon, Mass.; Dr. Paul Carson, Port Physician, Deer Island; Samuel Alland, 3 Park Street, Boston.

Discharged.—Lieut. Benjamin F. Barnard.

Long Service Medals.

Long-service medals and bars have been issued as follows:—

No. 2, Capt. Frank Huckins.

No. 4, Capt. John C. Potter.

No. 5, Capt. J. Henry Brown, one bar.

No. 6, Sergt. Arthur Fuller, three bars.

No. 7, Lieut. William S. Best.

No. 8, William B. Holmes.

No. 9, Sergt. Winslow B. Lucas, five bars.

No. 10, Sergt. Charles M. Pear.

No. 11, Lieut. James M. Usher.

No. 12, Capt. Walter S. Sampson, one bar.

No. 13, Lieut. Frank H. Mudge, two bars.

No. 18, John F. Johnson.

No. 20, Lieut. George H. Allen, seven bars.

No. 23, J. Chancellor Crafts, one bar.

No. 24, Sergt. Edwin E. Snow, one bar.

To obtain a medal, a member of the Company must have made twenty parades in not less than ten years; to obtain a bar he must have made ten parades in not less than five subsequent years. Application for medals and bars should be made to the Adjutant.

Nashua's Semi-Centennial.

Captain Hedges and his staff have received an invitation to be present as guests of the City of Nashua, at the observance of its Semi-Centennial, June 30. Jeremiah J. Doyle, Chairman, and William H. D. Cochran, Secretary of the Committee on Invitation, said in their letter:—

"The original grant in September, 1673, of one thousand acres of land to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company at the confluence of the Nashua and Merrimack rivers in the township of Dunstable, later became the town of Nashville, and is now a portion of our prosperous city."

In view of the two parades in June, and of the work involved in the arrangements for the reception of the Honourable Artillery Company, this invitation was declined by Captain Hedges, though with great regret.

Arrangements for Entertaining the London Company.

The arrangements for receiving and entertaining the Honourable Artillery Company of London in October have been changed in several details since the circular of May 11 was issued. At present they are as follows:

Friday, October 2.—The Honourable Artillery Company will land in Charlestown about noon and will be received by the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company and escort. The First Regiment Heavy Artillery, the Lancers, Co. C, 8th Regiment, and other military organizations, have offered their services for escort duty. The companies will parade past Bunker Hill Monument and through the business streets of Boston, probably being reviewed at the State House by Governor Bates and at City Hall by Mayor Collins. The Honourable Artillery Company will be escorted to its headquarters at the Parker House and Young's Hotel.

Officers of the two organizations will call on Governor Bates and Mayor Collins during the afternoon.

Informal gathering in the evening, for the purpose of "getting acquainted." Both Faneuil Hall and the armory will be utilized, and no special visitors will be invited.

Saturday, October 3.—A trip to Providence by invitation of the First Light Infantry. The two companies will be received in that city by the local military, and after a short parade will go down the Narragansett River to a point where the Englishmen can sample a clam bake *a la* Rhode Island. Returning, reach Boston at 6 P. M.

A public reception will be given in an armory (probably the Cadet Armory) in the evening, at which public officials, officers of the Massachusetts militia, etc., will be present. Probably the reception will be followed by dancing until midnight.

Sunday, October 4.—A church parade under the auspices of the British Naval and Military Association. The service will be held in Trinity Church, and the sermon will be preached by Rev. E. Winchester Donald.

Monday, October 5.—The Fall Field Day. A parade in the morning, to be followed by a steamer trip along the north shore. Lunch to be served on the steamer. Returning, reach Boston at 3 P. M.

A reception to be given in Horticultural Hall in the evening, and to be followed by the Fall Field Day Banquet in Symphony Hall.

Tuesday, October 6.—At 4 P. M. the Honourable Artillery Company, escorted by a delegation of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, will start from the Boston Terminal for a trip to New York, Washington, Montreal, etc.

Starting at 4 P. M. in a special train of parlor and baggage cars, they are scheduled to reach Fall River at 5.30 P. M. Leave Fall River, Fall River Line, 7.40 P. M. Supper on steamer.

Wednesday, October 7.—Reach New York 7 A. M. Breakfast on steamer. Leave by special steamer from Fall River Line pier 8 A. M. Reach West Point 11 A. M. Visit United States Military Academy, where a review of the Cadet Battalion will be tendered to the Honourable Artillery Company. Leave West Point 1 P. M. Luncheon on steamer. Reach New York at 4 P. M. Reception at Old Guard Fair, Madison Square Garden, to be followed by a banquet in the Concert Hall, the Old Guard closing the building to the public at the time. Stay at Waldorf-Astoria Hotel until after breakfast Friday.

Thursday October 8.—In New York. Carriage ride through the parks.

Friday, October 9.—Leave New York 7.45 A. M. Leave Jersey City in special train of parlor and baggage cars 8.15 A. M. Reach Washington 1.30 P. M. Stay at Arlington Hotel until after late dinner Saturday. Either on Friday or Saturday the companies will be received at the White House by President Roosevelt.

Saturday, October 10.—Trip to Mount Vernon and Arlington in the afternoon. Leave Washington in two special trains of sleeping, dining and baggage cars 9 P. M. These trains to run through to Boston.

Sunday, October 11.—Reach Niagara Falls 10.20 A. M. Take special cars for ride through the Niagara Gorge, down the Canadian side and return on the American side. Visit other points of interest. Leave Niagara Falls 6.00 P. M. Breakfast, lunch and dinner on train.

Monday, October 12.—Reach Montreal 7.15 A. M. Stay at Windsor Hotel until Tuesday morning.

Tuesday, October 13.—Leave Montreal for Boston, via the White Mountains and Crawford Notch, 7.30 A. M. Reach Boston, 8.15 P. M. Breakfast, luncheon and dinner on train.

Wednesday, October 14.—Reception at the Country Club, under the auspices of the Victorian Club, to the Honourable Artillery Company and officers and staff of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company.

In the evening the Honourable Artillery Company will give a farewell banquet at the Hotel Somerset.

Thursday, October 15.—The Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company will escort the Honourable Artillery Company to the Dominion Line steamer.

A Letter from President Roosevelt.

White House,
Washington,
June 4, 1903.

My Dear Senator Lodge:

I wish it were within my power to accept the invitation of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, but it is not. I cannot possibly undertake another engagement at present. If the dinner of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company were to take place in Washington, it would give me great pleasure to attend; and if the Company and its British visitors can visit Washington I shall be pleased indeed to receive them at the White House and to show them all possible courtesy. But it is simply out of my power to attend a meeting in Boston.

Faithfully yours,

THEODORE ROOSEVELT.

Hon. H. C. Lodge,
Nahant, Mass.

Courtesies from the United States Army.

Major-Gen. Adna R. Chaffee, U. S. A., has directed the commanding officer of the artillery district of Boston to fire a salute upon the arrival of the "Mayflower," October 2, with the Honourable Artillery Company.

General Chaffee has directed the commanding officer at Fort Myer, Va., to furnish an escort of one troop of cavalry from railroad station to hotel upon the arrival of the Honourable Artillery Company in Washington, D. C., October 9.

Col. A. L. Mills, Superintendent of the West Point Military Academy, writes: "I take pleasure in stating that I will be glad to arrange so that every possible courtesy, including a review of the Battalion of Cadets, will be shown to both organizations when they come here."

The Honourable Artillery Company.

Lieutenant-Colonel Lord Denbigh announced in orders the encampment, at Bulford, Salisbury Plain, of the artillery from May 28 to June 6, and of the infantry from May 30 to June 6. The annual church parade occurred on Sunday, May 23, when the entire regiment, artillery and infantry, attended divine service at St. Botolph's Church, Bishopsgate. The "Trooping of the Colour" in honor of the King's birthday will take place early in July.

The list of members who will visit Boston in October is being changed frequently, as men who had decided to come find that they must stay at home, or men who had thought business would claim them decide that they can leave it for a month. The number will include, however, six of the delegation of 1888, viz.: Major R. H. Nunn, Major Evans, Major Perkins, W. R. Clarke, E. A. Hamlyn, and C. F. Parslow.

London Committee Notes.

It has been voted that poems shall not be given a place in any of the programmes while the London Company is in Boston.

Four new members of the Committee have been elected to fill vacancies. They are Lieut. (Col.) William H. Oakes, Lieut. John D. Nichols, Lieut.-Col. E. W. M. Bailey and Lieut. Frank C. Brownell.

The banquet at Symphony Hall, on Monday, October 5, will be served by Mr. A. C. Nixon of the Algonquin Club.

Subscriptions to the entertainment fund have been made by 265 members of the Company, and amount to about \$30,000. This

is not all that is needed, however, and members who have not already subscribed are urged to do so at once.

The American Hide and Leather Company and the Theodore Metcalf Company have extended courtesies to the visitors from England.

Applications for Membership.

Special meetings of the Company, principally for receiving applications for membership and for electing members, will probably be held in July and August. While new members are desired at all times, to fill vacancies made by death or discharge, it is hoped that all gentlemen who apply this summer will intend to purchase uniforms, to parade in the ranks, and to remain in the organization for years to come, and will not simply join for the purpose of taking part in the festivities connected with the visit of the Honourable Artillery Company.

Seven applications are pending. They are from, —

Arthur H. Beal, wholesale jeweler, 594 Washington Street.

George Emil Homer, jeweler, 45 Winter Street.

Edward Everett Hardy, wholesale jeweler, Jewelers Building.

Charles E. Osgood, furniture dealer, 744 Washington Street.

Denman Blanchard, banker, 16 State Street.
Robert Harry Fraser, contractor and builder, 4 and 6 Province Court.

Charles Ellsworth Durgin, jeweler, Secretary Thomas Long Co., 41 Summer Street.

Attention is called to the requirement of the Rules and Regulations that members to whom applicants refer must themselves sign the applications.

Company Notes.

The change in the order of exercises on the anniversary seemed to be universally approved. The Company looked well, and turned out in unusually large numbers. Captain Cushing may well be proud of the brilliant *finale* of his administration.

The Armory Committee consists this year of Capt. Sidney M. Hedges, Capt. Jacob Fottler and Capt. J. Henry Brown.

It will facilitate the publication of the Annual Record if the sergeants and staff officers who have been asked for their photographs will furnish them, if they have not already done so, at as early a date as practicable.

Major George F. Quinby was given a rising vote of thanks at the meeting of the Company, June 8, for his services as Acting Adjutant during the absence, through illness, of Adjutant Abbott.

Votes of Thanks.

At the meeting of the Company held on Monday, June 8, the following votes of thanks were passed in connection with the celebration of the anniversary, June 1: —

To the proprietors of the Old South Church, for the use of their building.

To Rev. Dr. William H. Rider, for preaching the sermon.

To Rev. Edward A. Horton and Rev. Dr. Stephen H. Roblin, for assistance in conducting the service.

To Nathan Haskell Dole, for writing the ode.

To Joseph L. White, for arranging and conducting the musical exercises.

Gifts to the Company.

By Lieut.-Col. F. B. Carpenter, a collection of sermons which belonged to his father, Major George O. Carpenter, Captain of the Company in 1868.

By Mr. Dexter Pratt, two wine glasses, which had been in his family for one hundred and fifty or two hundred years.

Gloucester Sets the Pace.

The practice drills of the local members of the Ancient and Honourable Artillery Company were inaugurated last evening at the Armory on Duncan Street. A goodly number of the members turned out and were put through the paces by Sergt. John J. Flaherty, who acted as drill master. It is the intention to continue these drills during the coming months, in order that the Gloucester members may not be at any disadvantage from the tactical standpoint. The next drill will be held next Thursday evening.—*Gloucester News, June 5.*